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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical Note

Elias Cornelius Boudinot (1835-1890) was a lawyer, newspaper editor, activist, and lobbyist for Cherokee rights. He started the Arkansan newspaper in 1859 with James Pettigrew. Later, he joined the staff of the True Democrat as their editor. In 1861, he served as the secretary of the Secession Convention. During the Civil War, he worked with his uncle, Stand Watie, to enlist Cherokee soldiers in the Confederate Army.

After the war, Boudinot negotiated treaties on behalf of the southern Cherokee. He became a Cherokee delegate to Washington, District of Columbia. He was influential in the Boomer Movement in the Indian Territory that brought in white settlers. He was married to Clara Minear for five years before his death, but had no children.

Scope and Contents

This letter was written by E.C. Boudinot about land that was owned by Judge Davis on March 6, 1858.

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